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Applicants:	Taeko HAYASE et al.	Conf.:	3991
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Non-Final Office Action dated September 12, 2007, the period for response to which having been extended up to and including January 12, 2008, applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin at page 7 of this paper.